

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 555 – HB 1489

February 23, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that state employees subpoenaed as a witness in a civil or criminal trial receive the same civil leave and compensation as those summoned for jury service under Tenn. Code Ann. § 22-4-106, except when testifying in a trial in the employee's official employment capacity. Prohibits receipt of such leave and compensation for such employee when appearing as a trial defendant or witness on the employee's own behalf.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$34,400

Assumptions:

- Currently, state employees are required to use annual leave when subpoenaed as witnesses in civil or criminal trials.
- The Department of Human Resources (TDHR) estimates that two employees per county will take one day of civil leave annually.
- According to TDHR, the average daily salary for state employees is \$181.23. As a result, the Department estimates an increase in state expenditures of \$34,434 (2 employees x 95 counties x 1 day of leave x \$181.23 per day).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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